

I strongly oppose the proposed lifting of the ban on cross-ownership of media in the United States. Lifting this ban would surely be a disaster for our free press. It would put the control of both the print and broadcast media in the hands of a few large corporations and this will not serve our country and it's people well. If our democracy is to continue it must be fostered by a free and independent press.

I find this proposal very alarming and I am disappointed that the FCC, as it appears, is trying to sneak this through for the benefit of big business. Why have you not done more to inform the public of this proposal? Why are you not holding well-publicized Hearings throughout the country. There is obviously a great need for more public information and more public debate on this issue.

Finally, it seems to me the function of the FCC should be to insure a free and independent press. It appears that this is not your goal. You need to serve the people of the United States rather than providing more opportunities for corporations. Thank you